

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Industry Trade Advisory Committee on Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals, Health Science Products and Services

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Commerce

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Industry Trade Advisory Committee on Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals, Health Science Products and Services

3b. GSA Committee No.

21406

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year? 5. Current Charter 6. Expected Renewal Date 7. Expected Term Date

No 02/14/2018 02/14/2020

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year? 8b. Specific Termination Authority 8c. Actual Term Date

No

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate? 10b. Legislation Pending?

Continue No Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority 13. Effective Date 14. Committee Type 14c. Presidential?
P.L. 93-618 03/27/1975 Continuing No

15. Description of Committee Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports 3

16b. Report Date Report Title
05/24/2018 Letter of Recommendation on U.S.-China Trade Issues
07/30/2018 Letter of Recommendation China 301 Proposed Actions and Modified Actions
09/27/2018 Statutory Advisory Report on the Trade Agreement with Mexico and Potentially Canada

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 3

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 8 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 8 Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
The purpose of the meeting was for Committee members to be briefed and provide advice on the NAFTA Renegotiation, KORUS FTA Discussions, Export Controls, the Generalized System of Preferences Annual Review, and a USTR Update on the Trade Advisory System and ITACs.	11/09/2017	11/09/2017

The purpose of the meeting was for Committee members to be briefed and provide advice on the NAFTA Renegotiation, the Administration's Trade Agenda, World Bank Commercial Discussions, and the U.S.-Argentina Commercial Dialogue.	01/18/2018 - 01/18/2018
The purpose of the meeting was for Committee members to be briefed and provide advice on NAFTA 2.0 Renegotiations, China Section 301, KORUS, and the U.S.-Indonesia Trade and Investment Council.	04/24/2018 - 04/24/2018
The purpose of the meeting was for Committee members to conduct deliberations on a pre-decisional draft letter on U.S.-China trade policy. The letter was adopted out of Committee to go forward to the Secretary of Commerce and the United States Trade Representative.	05/24/2018 - 05/24/2018
The purpose of the meeting was for Committee members to be briefed and provide advice on: the U.S.-Thailand Trade and Investment Framework; NAFTA 2.0 Renegotiations; China Section 301 actions; the U.S.-UK Trade and Investment Working Group; and Exports and Re-exports of Medicine and Medical Devices to Iran	07/19/2018 - 07/19/2018
The purpose of the meeting was to deliberate on and finalize a pre-decisional draft letter on China Section 301 proposed actions and modified actions. The letter was adopted out of Committee to go forward to the Secretary of Commerce and the United States Trade Representative.	07/30/2018 - 07/30/2018
The purpose of the meeting was to conduct deliberations on a pre-decisional draft statutory report on the U.S.-Mexico Trade Agreement. The report was not adopted out; Committee members will conduct further deliberations during their September 25 closed meeting.	09/18/2018 - 09/18/2018
The purpose of the meeting was for Committee members to be briefed and provide advice on: U.S.-Mexico Trade Agreement/NAFTA 2.0 Renegotiations; U.S.-India Trade Update; and U.S.-EU Trade Discussions. The purpose was also for Committee members to conduct deliberations on a pre-decisional draft statutory advisory report on "A Trade Agreement with Mexico and Potentially Canada." The report was adopted out of the Committee to go forward to the Secretary of Commerce and the United States Trade Representative.	09/25/2018 - 09/25/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 8

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$62,325.00	\$62,500.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$62,325.00	\$62,500.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.50	0.50

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Committee shall perform such functions and duties and prepare such reports, as may be required by Section 135 of the Trade Act, with respect to the industry trade advisory committees. The Committee advises the Secretary and USTR on trade matters referred to in section 135(a)(1) of the Act, and is consulted regarding the matters referred to in section 135(a)(2) of the Act. The Committee provides detailed policy and technical advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary and USTR regarding trade barriers, negotiation of trade agreements under section 2103 of the Bipartisan Trade Promotion Authority Act of 2002, and implementation of existing trade agreements affecting its

sector.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Members shall be selected on a clear, standardized basis, in accordance with applicable Department of Commerce guidance, the principal criterion for selection being ability to carry out the objectives of this Committee as set forth in Section 3 of the Charter. Secondary selection criteria are ensuring that the Committee is balanced in terms of points of view, demographics, geography, and company size.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year 5-6. ITAC 3 usually meets every 2-3 months..

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Committee is essential to carry out the Secretary and USTR's responsibilities under section 135(c)(2) of the 1974 Trade Act, as delegated by E.O. 11846 of March 27, 1975. There is no other Committee that can perform the duties of this Committee.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

The Industry Trade Advisory Committees were established by the Trade Act of 1974 and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). Subsection 135(f) of the Trade Act provides that the ITACs shall be exempt from the provisions of the FACA relating to open meetings, public notice, public participation, and public availability of documents when it is determined that the proceedings would, if disclosed, seriously compromise the Government's negotiating objectives or bargaining positions regarding trade policy matters. ITAC meetings routinely involve these kinds of discussions. The United States Trade Representative evaluates each meeting agenda and issues a Notice of Determination when it is necessary to close meetings.

21. Remarks

Subcommittees, or their equivalents, are authorized to be formed under the terms of the Committees' charters, which were issued pursuant to Subsection 135 (f) of the Trade Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-618) as amended, and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463). Because subcommittees, or their equivalents, do not report out independently but through the parent Committee, the costs are included under the parent Committee.

Designated Federal Officer

John J. Meakem International Trade Specialist

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Arguello, Luis	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	DemeTech Corporation	Representative Member
Atwell, Tiffany	07/17/2014	02/14/2018	E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company	Representative Member
Bullitt, Suzanne	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Eastman Chemical Company	Representative Member
Carrier, Esq., Michael	07/17/2014	02/14/2018	Eastman Chemical Company	Representative Member
Cook, Harrison	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Eli Lilly and Company	Representative Member
Delisi, V. (Jim)	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Fanwood Chemical, Inc.	Representative Member
Ellison, Donald	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Consultant, representing Damping Technologies, Inc.	Representative Member
Fitzpatrick, Esq., Michael	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Consultant, Representing The Assn. of Electrical and Medical Imaging Equipment (NEMA)	Representative Member
Gamble, Esq., D. Geoffrey	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	The National Foreign Trade Council, Inc.	Representative Member
Gaugh, David	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Association for Accessible Medicines	Representative Member
Gibbs, Edward	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	North Coast Medical Equipment Inc.	Representative Member
Goradia, Vijay	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Vinmar International, Ltd.	Representative Member
Gunn, Ph.D., Trevor	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	USA Healthcare Alliance, LLC	Representative Member
Ives, Ralph	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Advanced Medical Technology Association	Representative Member
Kemp, Tonya	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Alticor Inc.	Representative Member
Kjeldgaard, Richard	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Consultant, Representing the Biotechnology Innovation Organization	Representative Member
Krygsman, Adrian	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Troy Corporation	Representative Member
May, A. E. (Ted)	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Andersen Products, Inc.	Representative Member
McGrath, Matthew	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Legal Advisor, Representing Lion Elastomers, LLC	Representative Member
Mountjoy, Brittany	10/04/2016	02/14/2018	Society of Chemical Manufacturers & Affiliates (SOCMA)	Representative Member
Nelson, Douglas	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	CropLife America	Representative Member
Neureiter, Paul	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Amgen	Representative Member
Orfei, Michelle	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	American Chemistry Council	Representative Member
Pearce, Christopher	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	S.C. Johnson & Son, Inc.	Representative Member
Phillip, Lisa	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	Hybas International, LLC	Representative Member
Plante, James	04/30/2015	02/14/2018	Pathway Genomics Corporation	Representative Member
Ramaley, Grant	09/14/2018	02/14/2022	Aseptico Incorporated	Representative Member
Rolofson, Ph.D., George	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Consultant, Representing Gowan Company	Representative Member

Schroeter, Lisa	04/30/2015 02/14/2018 The Dow Chemical Company	Representative Member
Schroeter, Lisa	09/14/2018 02/14/2022 DowDuPont/Dow Chemical Division	Representative Member
Sedlak, Richard	02/28/2018 02/14/2022 The American Cleaning Institute	Representative Member
Tierney, Kevin	02/28/2018 02/14/2022 IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	Representative Member
Vroomen, Ph.D., Harry	02/28/2018 02/14/2022 The Fertilizer Institute	Representative Member
Zieser, Thomas	02/28/2018 02/14/2022 JACE Systems	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 34

Narrative Description

The Committee shall perform such functions and duties and prepare such reports as may be required by section 135 of the Trade Act with respect to the industry trade advisory committees. The Committee advises the Secretary and the USTR concerning the trade matters referred to in section 135(a)(1) of the Trade Act, and is consulted regarding the matters referred to in section 135(a)(2) of the Trade Act. The Committee functions solely as an advisory committee in accordance with the provisions of the FACA, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App., with the exceptions set forth in the Trade Act. In particular, the Committee provides detailed policy and technical advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary and the USTR regarding trade barriers, negotiation of trade agreements, and implementation of existing trade agreements affecting its sectors; and performs such other advisory functions relevant to U.S. trade policy as may be requested by the Secretary and the USTR or their designees.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

The Industry Trade Advisory Committees (ITACs) advise the Secretary of Commerce and

the United States Trade Representative (USTR) on key objectives and bargaining positions for multilateral, regional, and bilateral trade negotiations and other trade policy matters. The ITACs were mandated by the Congress to ensure that trade negotiators are coordinating with the private sector during trade negotiations.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

NA

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

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Number of Recommendations Comments

On average 2-3 recommendations are made annually. The total number of recommendations is for the 2014-2018 charter term.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

No measureable calculation. Committee members that give advice to U.S. trade negotiators, typically do not receive feedback from negotiators regarding how their advice has been applied or utilized within the various bilateral and multilateral trade negotiations.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

No measureable calculation. Committee members that give advice to U.S. trade negotiators, typically do not receive feedback from negotiators regarding how their advice has been applied or utilized within the various bilateral and multilateral trade negotiations.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Most feedback is rendered orally during meetings; when written advice is sent to the Secretary of Commerce and USTR, or their designees, it is reviewed by Secretary's policy staff and tasked to appropriate ITA unit to prepare draft response. Commerce internal procedures require that all responses for Secretarial signature (and/or joint signature with USTR) go through a concurrence process which ensures that the appropriate level of Commerce officials are seeing the advice and have a chance for comment. All formal responses must be cleared by the Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade prior to Secretary's signature, which ensures that ITAC advice is weighed and considered.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

NA

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

Information is provided to ITAC members through a secured website at USTR. Also the ITAC Office maintains its own website. Fast moving issues are communicated via email or via DFOs.